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Applicant Initiated Interview Request Form Application No.: 09/886,187 First Named Applicant: Gregory Francis Pfister Art Unit: 2132 Status of Application: After first office action Examiner: Grigory Gurshman Tentative Participants: (1) Grigory Gurshman (2) Betty Formby Proposed Date of Interview: / April 12, 2005 Proposed Time: 2PM EDT Type of Interview Requested: (2) [] Personal (1) [X] Telephonic (3) [] Video Conference Exhibit To Be Shown or Demonstrated: [] YES [x] NO If yes, provide brief description: Issues To Be Discussed **Prior** Discussed Not Agreed Issues Claims/ Claims/ Agreed (Rej., Obj., etc) Fig. #s Art Hammersly (1) 102 [] [] П [] [] [] Continuation Sheet Attached Brief Description of Arguments to be Presented: Hammersly does not disclose an atomic operation, which is uninterrupable and very quick. This patent determines if a lock is exclusive, which is not the same as determining if a lock is uncontested. Pertinent portion of the disclosure (present invention) starts on page 35, line 8. An interview was conducted on the above-identified application on NOTE: This form should be completed by applicant and submitted to the examiner in advance of the interview (see MPEP § 713.01). This application will not be delayed from issue because of applicant's failure to submit a written record of this interview. Therefore, applicant is advised to file a statement of the substance of this interview (37 CFR 1.123(b)) as soon as possible.

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